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AGS: PFOR, US, PL

SUBJECT: REDUCTION OF TIME FOR SUBMISSION OF
POLISH CREW LIST VISAS

1. FOLLOWING UP OUR SEPTEMBER EXCHANGE OF NOTES REDUCING
PORT ACCESS REQUEST TIME FOR POLISH VESSELS, WE HAVE
DECIDED TO REDUCE THE TIME REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION OF
POLISH CREW LIST VISAS.

2. EMBASSY IS AUTHORIZED AT EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY TO
INFORM POLISH MFA OF U.S. DECISION TO REDUCE FROM 21 TO 7
FULL WORKING DAYS TIME REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION OF POLISH
CREW LIST VISAS.

3. EMBASSY MAY, AS APPROPRIATE AT ITS OWN DISCRETION,
DELIVER NOTE OR ORAL STATEMENT ALONG THE FOLLOWING LINES:

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BEGIN TEXT: REFERRING TO DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN REPRESENTA-

TIVES OF OUR TWO GOVERNMENTS AND THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES ON
PORT ACCESS CONCLUDED IN SEPTEMBER 1973, THE U.S. HAS
DECIDED TO REDUCE FROM 21 TO 7 FULL WORKING DAYS THE TIME
REQUIRED FOR SUBMISSION OF CREW LIST VISAS. WE BELIEVE
THIS STEP WILL FURTHER THE IMPROVEMENT IN U.S.-POLISH
RELATIONS AND FACILITATE THE GROWTH OF BILATERAL TRADE AND
COMMERCIAL EXCHANGES.

WE UNDERSTAND THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO ADVANCE REQUIRE-
MENTS IN POLAND FOR SUBMISSION OF U.S. CREW LISTS, AND
THAT THIS ARRANGEMENT SHALL CONTINUE IN EFFECT.

THE NEW TIME REQUIREMENT FOR POLISH CREW LIST VISAS
WILL ENTER INTO EFFECT ON APRIL 30 1974 AND REMAIN UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE. END TEXT.

4. FYI: REDUCTION OF TIME FOR POLISH CREW LIST VISAS WAS
ORIGINALLY INTENDED TO BE CONCLUDED AT TIME OF DENT VISIT.
TWENTY-ONE DAY REQUIREMENT HAS PROVED CUMBERSOME AND OUT
OF LINE WITH THE REDUCED PORT ACCESS REQUEST TIME WHICH
GIVES POLES GREAT FLEXIBILITY IN SCHEDULING U.S. PORT
CALLS. AIRGRAM TO FOLLOW WILL OUTLINE NEW IBEX PROCEDURES
TO IMPLEMENT 7-DAY CREW LIST VISA PROCESSING. KISSINGER

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